Watershed Chapter Updates

Resources:

Monitoring and Adaptive Management Toolkit

WRIA 8 chapter update (completed 2017)

Skokomish chapter update (completed 2017)

Chinook synthesis (link to come in December 2019)

Components:

- 1. Background and New Information
 - If your watershed has steelhead populations, and no existing steelhead recovery plan, incorporate steelhead information and strategies referencing the <u>NOAA draft Steelhead</u> <u>Recovery Plan</u>. May be dependent on if and time and resources allow.
- 2. Current and Future Status
 - Include information from completed Common Indicator protocols, where applicable
 - Make sure you are using common language as identified through the common indicators process
- 3. Goals for Chinook Habitat
 - Add or update quantitative habitat goals
- 4. Revisiting and Revising Pressures
 - You do not need to conduct a pressures assessment unless it is useful for your update process
 - Update pressures and gaps as needed
 - Include climate change considerations and other new information
- 5. Watershed Context and Recovery Strategies and Actions
 - You do not need to create a conceptual model or results chains. Partnership staff will work with the contractor to update the watershed's results chains in Miradi as needed.
 - The Partnership encourages the development of a situation analysis or logic model if it is useful to the watershed for communication purposes
- 6. Strategy Identification and Prioritization
 - Identify the top strategies that the watershed needs to focus on in a given timeframe in order to recover Chinook salmon in their watershed
 - Make sure the recovery strategies are easily identifiable and clear within the recovery chapter, to ensure that project sponsors can quickly link their projects to a given strategy
 - Consider adding climate change as a cross-cutting issue or a separate strategy within your update

7. Monitoring Plan

- Watersheds should identify how they are measuring and reporting on their progress and on project effectiveness
- Use common indicators as the basis for your monitoring plan
- 8. Adaptive Management Procedure and Decision-Making Structure
 - Identify how you will assess progress and attain your restoration and protection goals, as well as identify the impact of your proposed actions

